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INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Johnson-Ticer House Survey Number: PG 80-23

Project: Woodrow Wilson Bridge Agency: FHWA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility **not** recommended ☒

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Based on the available information, the modest, late 19th century dwelling does not appear to possess sufficient architectural merit to be significant under Criterion C. In addition, it has questionable integrity, with a substantial rear addition which alters its original roofline and a modern replacement front porch.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory
Form

Prepared by: Parsons Engineering Science, Susan Pearl (1986)

Elizabeth Hannold
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

May 5, 1996
Date

NR program concurrence: ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ not applicable

Peter E. Kuntz
Reviewer, NR program

5/9/96
Date

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input type="checkbox"/> Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

<input type="checkbox"/> Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/> Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Period (<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/> Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/> Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/> Political
<input type="checkbox"/> Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> Technology
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Military
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic - single dwelling

Known Design Source: _____

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #80-23 Building Date: 1890's

Building Name: Johnston-Ticer House

Location: 8311 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Johnston-Ticer House is a one-and-one-half story side-gabled frame house with two additions to the rear. It fronts directly on Oxon Hill Road, and stands on a long narrow lot with farm outbuildings to the rear of the lot. The main block of the house is side gabled, and three bays by one bay. Entrance is in the central bay of the main east facade, through a four-panel Victorian door with single-pane transom and plain board surround. Above the door is a central cross-gable which contains two 2/2 windows side by side. Across this main east facade is a one-story flat-roofed porch with plain square posts. A railing of horizontal boards forms a balcony at second level, accessible from the windows in the central cross-gable. The building is sheathed with German siding painted white. Windows are long 2/2 double hung sash, and have plain board surrounds, and tall lintels with crown molding. Extending to the west flush with the north gable end is a one-and-one-half-story gable-roof kitchen wing; siding and fenestration are similar to that of the main block. Extending farther to the west from the kitchen wing is a smaller one-story gable-roof section, which is reported to have been moved ca. 1940 from another location to be joined to the main house.

Significance

The Johnston-Ticer House is a small and modest frame dwelling, built circa 1890 by John Johnson, who owned nineteen acres of farmland, part of the old tract known as Notley Hall. The house is simple in design, similar to the hall-and-parlor plan dwelling of the previous century. Its plan is one room deep, with a central passage between two parlors, and a rear boxed staircase leading to loft space above. This small dwelling was, at the end of the nineteenth century, one component in the small rural community which clustered around the intersection of the road from Piscataway to Washington with the road to Fort Foote. The community consisted of a store and post office, blacksmith shop, shoe maker's house and shop, and school, as well as the homes of several small farmers. This 19 acre property was acquired by John Johnston in the 1880's, and it was he who built the house. Johnston died in 1894, and his property was devised to his children; it changed hands many times, and was acquired in 1940 by Oho Werle. It was probably Werle who moved the older kitchen building and attached it to the rear of the Johnston house. He also added the porch/balcony across the main east facade. The resulting building is a noticeable landmark in this developing residential area.

Acreage: 1.49 acres

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Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Johnston House

and/or common Ticer House

2. Location

street & number 8311 Oxon Hill Road

☐ not for publication

city, town Oxon Hill

☐ vicinity of

congressional district

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state Maryland

county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Wilmer R. Ticer

street & number 8311 Oxon Hill Road

telephone no.:

city, town Oxon Hill,

state and zip code Maryland 20745

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse

liber 5661

street & number Main Street

folio 51

city, town Upper Marlboro,

state MD. 20772

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date

☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Johnston-Ticer House is a one-and-one-half story side-gabled frame house with two additions to the rear. It fronts directly on Oxon Hill Road, and stands on a long narrow lot with farm outbuildings to the rear of the lot.

The main block of the house is side gabled, and three bays by one bay (circa 34 by 20 feet). Entrance is in the central bay of the main east facade, through a four-panel Victorian door (two deeply molded round-arched panels over two rectangular panels). The door has a single-pane transom and plain board surround. Above the door is a central cross-gable which contains two 2/2 windows side by side. Across this main east facade is a one-story flat-roofed porch with plain square posts which rest on concrete bases. A railing of horizontal boards forms a balcony at second level, accessible from the windows in the central cross-gable.

The building is sheathed with German siding painted white. Windows are long 2/2 double hung sash, and have plain board surrounds, and tall lintels with crown molding. The roof is covered with gray asphalt shingle; a tall brick chimney rises from the west plane of the gable roof, serving a fireplace in the west (exterior) wall of the south parlor. In the northwest section of the main block, a room has been added, raising that quarter of the building to a full two stories. A stove chimney at the north gable end has been removed. The building rests on brick piers which are not easily visible.

Interior of the main block is one room deep, with a central hall and a parlor on each side. An enclosed stairway rises toward the north at the rear (west) end of the hall.

Extending to the west flush with the north gable end is a one-and-one-half-story gable-roof kitchen wing. Siding and fenestration of the wing are similar to that of the main block; a tall brick chimney rises from the north plane of the roof. There is a basement space under the kitchen wing.

Extending farther to the west from the kitchen wing is a smaller one-story gable-roof section, which is reported to have been moved (ca. 1940) from another location to be joined to the main house. This small addition has an interior corbelled brick chimney at the ridge at the west gable end. Siding is plain horizontal board.

The house stands on a narrow lot which widens at the rear (west) into a corn field. Behind the house to the west are two large farm buildings. To the north is a frame gable-roof shed, with plain horizontal board siding and standing seam tin roof. It is open on its south gable end. To the south is a larger gable-roof stable, with two large openings in its east gable end. It is sided with plain horizontal board.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1890's Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Johnston-Ticer House is a small and modest frame dwelling, which fronts directly on Oxon Hill Road, the old road from Piscataway to Washington, D.C. It was built circa 1890 by John Johnson, who owned nineteen acres of farmland, part of the old tract known as Notley Hall.

The house is simple in design, similar to the hall-and-parlor plan dwelling of the previous century. Its plan is one room deep, with a central passage between two parlors, and a rear (transverse) boxed staircase leading to loft space above. The upper space has been increased and lighted by the addition of a central cross gable on the main east facade. The rear kitchen wing may be contemporary with the main block.

This small dwelling was, at the end of the nineteenth century, one component in the small rural community which clustered around the intersection of the road from Piscataway to Washington with the road to Fort Foote. The community (Fort Foote, later called New Glatz) consisted of a store and post office, blacksmith shop, shoe maker's house and shop, and school, as well as the homes of several small farmers. A short distance to the west stood the mid-eighteenth century brick mansion of the Rozier family known as Notley Hall, and farther west on the banks of the Potomac were Fort Foote and the Notley Hall Amusement Park.¹

The 19 acre property (originally part of the large Notley Hall tract) on which this house stands was acquired by John Johnston in the 1880's, and it was he who built the house. Johnston died in 1894, and his property was devised to his children, Paul and Cornelia Johnston. The property changed hands many times, and was acquired in 1923 by James O. Monroe who owned property and resided on the opposite (east) side of the road.² After Monroe died in 1939, his sisters sold the nineteen acre property to Otto Werle.³ It was probably Werle who moved the small (older) kitchen building and attached it to the rear of the Johnston house. He also added the porch/balcony across the main east facade.

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10. Geographical Data

Tax Map 113, Parcel 165

Quadrangle scale _____

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

telephone 952-3521

city or town	Upper Marlboro,	state	Maryland	20772
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Statement of Significance (continued)

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The house was purchased by the Tickers in 1976.⁴ With its appearance of an early hall-and-parlor style house, fronting directly on the Oxon Hill Road, it is a noticeable landmark in this developing residential area.

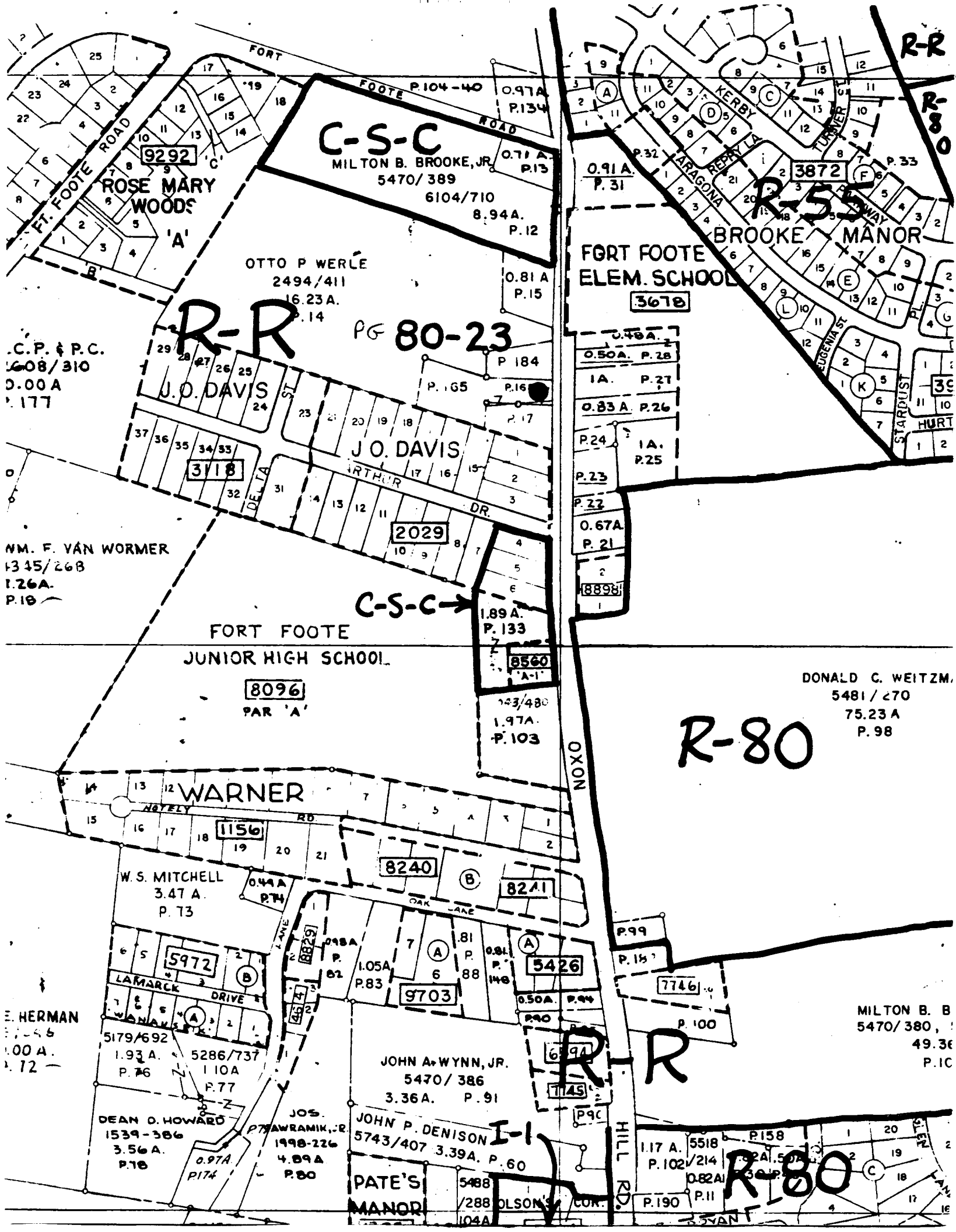
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¹ G.M. Hopkins Atlas of Prince George's County, 1878, and Map of Vicinity of Washington, D.C.; 1894. Also unidentified map of same area, circa 1912; Census records of Prince George's County, 1880, 1900-1910. Prince George's County Tax Assessments, 1888-1910.

² Prince George's County Deeds JWB #4:436; #203:477; Prince George's County Will, JBP #1:166.

³ Prince George's County Will WTD #6:37; Prince George's County Deed #588:3.

⁴ Prince George's County Deed #4674;232.



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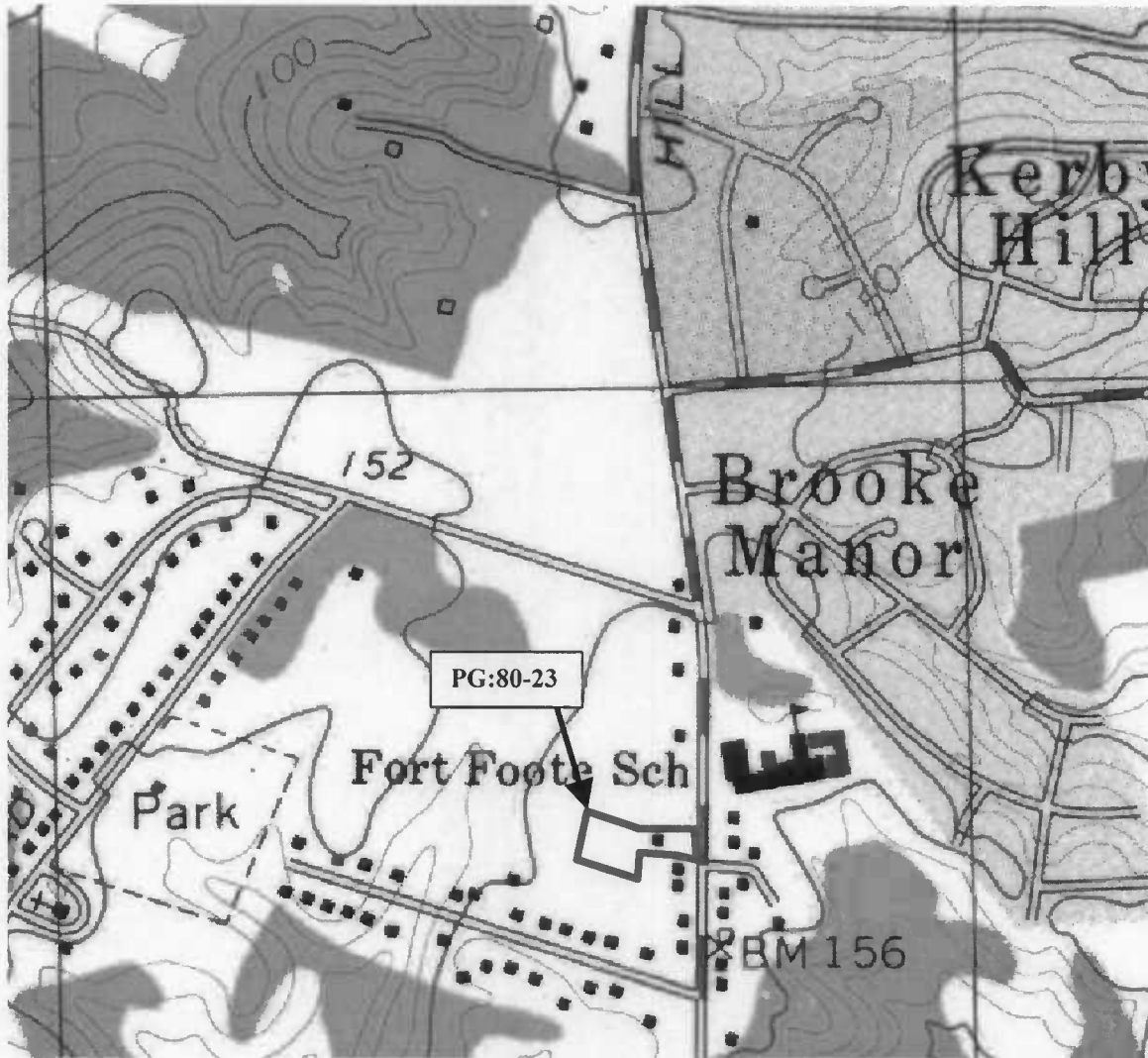
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Johnston-Ticer House
8311 Oxon Hill Road, Fort Washington
Alexandria quadrangle





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Ticer House
Prince George's County, MD
Susan G. Pearl
February 1986
East elevation
Neg: MD Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Ticer House
Prince George's County, MD
Susan G. Pearl
February 1986
North elevation
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Ticer House
Prince George's County, MD
Susan G. Pearl
February 1986
West elevation
Neg: MD Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Ticer House
Prince George's County, MD
Susan G. Pearl
February 1986
Outbuildings, view to west
Neg: MD Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Ticer House
Prince George's County, MD
Susan G. Pearl
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East Entrance
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